

MEETING SUMMARY REPORT

Business Technology Center
1275 Kinnear Road
Columbus, OH 43212-1155
June 22, 2004

Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Hearing

Total attendance:	42
Congressional attendance	03
RegFair Board in attendance	02
SBA personnel	06
Agencies attending	03
No. of comments	08

Small Business Organizations	Point of Contact	Membership
Main Street Business Association	Walter Cates	
Cincinnati Women's Business Chamber	Rhoda Thompson	
Columbus Urban League, Inc.	Samuel Gresham, Jr.	
Total Represented		

Summary:

Testifiers:

1. Chuck Goodal
Alliance Calibration
513-769-1200
(DOL)

He had a disgruntled employee which is felt reported him for the department of labor and the DOL is not working with him and he would like assistance

2. Terry Girton
Girton Auto Parts, Inc.
129-133 N. Main Street, Winchester, IN 47394
765-584-7256
(IRS)

Tax issue

3. Alga Masley
Joe-Bar Mfg. Corporation
Defense Management District
7225 Division Street
Bedford, Ohio 44146-5483
(440-232-5565)
(DCMA)

Problem is with the Defense Contract Management Agency in that a Q.A.R. came to the plant and without any discussion had the safety specialist come out and determine the plant is unsafe and ending any future. Governments dealing .The company has made several corrections and is working on additional corrections, which will take approximately 90 days. She is having a hard time with the agency and feels that they are unfair in the time requirements.

4. Mary Anne Newman
Transcription Connection, Inc.
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(DOL)

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This company's problem regarding regulatory concerns centers around the labor issues of outsourcing work by American companies to companies located in India and Pakistan. Because, these American owned companies do not have to pay a minimum wage to these foreign employees, they are able to control and dictate the market in certain types of industries, especially in the medical transcription field. Mary's company is located in a rural area of Ohio and she contributes to her local economy and community by hiring welfare to work job trainees as well as single mothers.

5. Innovative Solutions
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The company's, listed above, are concerned about the 13 CFR regulation, 121.406 and 125.60, that regulates how a small business concern qualifies to provide manufactured products under small business set-aside, HUB-Zone, or MED procurements. All of these companies are HUB-Zone certified, except for Innovative Functions, and are very active in doing business with the Defense Logistics Agency, especially with Defense Supply Center Columbus and Defense Supply Center Philadelphia.

The company's frustration stems from the manufacturing rule, listed above, 13 CFR, that states that 51% of a manufactured item must be manufactured in a HUB-Zone. Because of this regulation, it limits the amount of teaming/partnering arrangements that can be found by this company both locally and in the region. The location of most of these businesses is only 20 miles away from two southern Ohio counties that are not in HUB-Zones but have a solid small business base and have a higher probability of being able to perform on government contracting in conjunction with the HUB-Zone certified companies.

8. Robert J. Kaynes, Jr.
Braun Shoe Company
1313 Alum Creek Drive
Columbus, Ohio 43209
614-252-0967 ext 606
(OSHA)

OSHA made a surprise inspection to measure the lead content in the silver polishing department. They found the level of silver dust to be higher than permissible. They issued citations and the company has responded and made several changes but OSHA is requesting additional corrects. The company feels that there is no end to the corrections required by OSHA.